

Amendments to the Specification

Please note that "strikeout" matter is shown with larger-than-normal italic letters containing the strikeout horizontal marks such as in this example: *~~STRIKEOUT~~*.

Please delete the previously filed paragraph spanning from page 1, line 4 to line 10 and amend as set forth as follows:

This application is a divisional application of United States nonprovisional copending application Serial No. 09/920,861, filed 03 August 2001, titled "ELECTRODES COATED WITH TREATING AGENT AND USES THEREOF", said application claiming

*~~This - application - claims~~*

priority based upon copending PCT International Application Number PCT/US00/00014, filed 12 January 2000, which is based upon copending United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/117,755, filed 28 January 1999, and which was published on 3 August 2000 with PCT International Publication Number WO 00/44438.